

Seattle Japanese Garden

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OPEN HOURS

March 1 – March 29.....Tue – Sun.....10a.m. – 5p.m.
March 30 – Sept 20.....Mo – Sun.....10a.m. – 7p.m.
Sept 21 – Sept 30.....Mo – Sun.....10a.m. – 5p.m.
Oct 1 – Oct 31.....Tue – Sun.....10a.m. – 5p.m.
Nov 1 – Nov 30.....Tue – Sun.....10a.m. – 4p.m.
Dec 1 - Dec 31.....Closed

* The garden closes at 3p.m. on July 24 and 4 p.m. on Aug 29 for event scheduling. Closing times are subject to weather and available light.

Guided tours of the Japanese garden are available daily at 12:30pm, and also at 2p.m. on Sat. & Sun. Public tours are complimentary with admission. *Beginning in April.

LOCATION

1075 Lake Washington Blvd. E, Seattle, WA 98122

Located in Washington Park Arboretum, the 3.5 acre Seattle Japanese Garden is one of the most celebrated Japanese gardens in North America. Parking is free.

ADMISSION

Adults 18 – 64.....\$6.
Youth 6 -17, Seniors 65+, Students w/ID, & Disabled.....\$4
Children 5 and under.....FREE

ANNUAL PASS

Student.....\$15 Family/Dual.....\$30
Individual.....\$20 Photographer.....\$75
Pass holders receive one year unlimited admission to the garden. (Garden Party and Moon Viewing Festival not included.)

Photographer Membership includes:

Exclusive photo sessions twice a month, March – Nov.
Additional photo sessions during peak Spring & Fall color.
Admission of all photographic equipment during sessions.

*To preserve the garden and its tranquility, monopods are the only photographic equipment allowed during public open hours.

CHADO AT SHOSEIAN TEAHOUSE

Experience a tranquil tea ceremony at the Shoseian teahouse, located within the Seattle Japanese Garden. Chado demonstrations can be observed for free.

Tickets: \$7 adults, \$5 youth, include tea & sweets.

Phone reservations recommended. Starts at 1 & 2p.m.

Chado Demonstrations

Apr 11, May 9, Jun 13, Jul 11, Aug 8, Sept 12, Oct 10

Chado Presentations

Apr 26, May 24, Jun 28, Jul 26, Sept 27, Oct 25

PRIVATE TOURS

The Seattle Japanese Garden can accommodate private and school group tours with advance notice. A reservation fee applies for private guides. Call to inquire.

PRIVATE RENTALS

The Tateuchi Community Room is an ideal space for meetings, retreats, and special events. 2 hour rentals start at \$145 (plus refundable deposit). Call to inquire.

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All events are **FREE** with garden admission except otherwise noted.

First ViewingSunday, March 1, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. (Opening Day)

Witness a dramatic Shinto blessing, a ceremony to purify, invigorate and bring nourishment to the garden and all its visitors. Guided tours at noon, 1 p.m. and 2 p.m.

Kodomo no hi.....Sunday, May 31, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. (Children's Day) Kids 12 and under FREE!

Through fun activities like origami, puppet shows, koi kite making --and feeding the koi-- families will learn about Japanese culture together in a beautiful garden setting.

Tanabata.....Saturday, July 11, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. (Japanese Star Festival)

Hang your wishes on an ornately decorated bamboo pole for Tanabata, the legendary annual reunion of deities across the Milky Way. The celebration includes musical performances and Japanese calligraphy demonstrations.

Garden Party.....Friday, July 24, 6 to 8:30 p.m. ~An Evening of Japanese Arts and Cuisine to Benefit Seattle Japanese Garden~

The garden becomes the backdrop for an elegant fete of scrumptious Japanese cuisine with fine wines and sake, a *Nodate* tea ceremony, and traditional performance arts during this 55th anniversary benefit event. *Tickets: \$75. Available June 1 at seattlejapanesegarden.org*

Wandering & Wondering..Sunday, August 16, 2 to 5 p.m. Watch as a troupe of local artists transform the whole garden into a stage as they perform Butoh, an evocative movement art incorporating nature-themed live music.

O-tsukimi.....Saturday, August 29, 7 - 10 p.m. (Moon Viewing Festival)

For *o-tsukimi*, the garden becomes romantically aglow at dusk. Stroll candlelit paths and see the full moon rise and reflect in the pond. Also features performances, a haiku contest, telescopes, and an optional tea ceremony. *Tickets: \$15, \$25 with tea ceremony. Available Aug 1 at seattlejapanesegarden.org.*

Keiro no hi.....Monday, September 14, all day (Respect for Elders) Seniors 65+ FREE!

On this Japanese holiday, we, too, honor the seniors in our community. Wheelchair accessible tea ceremonies will be held at 11 a.m., 1 and 2 p.m.

Momijigari.....Sunday, October 11, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. (Maple Viewing Festival)

The garden's prized maple collection turns spectacularly ablaze in the fall. Enjoy breathtaking views, family-friendly Japanese craft making, and a riveting Taiko drumming performance. Free guided tours available.